

RESOLUTION NO. R18-900

RESOLUTION REPRIMANDING COUNCIL MEMBER ELTON ALEXANDER; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, REPEALING INCONSISTENT RESOLUTIONS, PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of Stockbridge ("City") is a municipal corporation located within Henry County, Georgia duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Georgia and is charged with providing public services to residents located within the corporate limits of the City;

WHEREAS, Council Member Elton Alexander was elected to serve the citizens of the City;

WHEREAS, Mr. Alexander swore an oath, that among other things, he would perform the duties of the office of Council Member in the best interests of the City of Stockbridge;

WHEREAS, the office of a City Council Member requires that such person meet and maintain the highest standards of behavior;

WHEREAS, the City Council has received numerous complaints from Stockbridge residents, City of Stockbridge staff, the media and other governmental and civic organizations regarding various aspects of Mr. Alexander's behavior;

WHEREAS, Mr. Alexander has repeatedly mischaracterized statements of other elected officials and given members of the City Council a false impression of their views;

WHEREAS, Mr. Alexander has engaged in unprofessional and often insulting dialog with members of the community, the City Council and staff via e-mail and social media;

WHEREAS, Mr. Alexander has repeatedly ignored the advice of the City's staff and consultants and has taken actions that are detrimental to the City's interests;

WHEREAS, Mr. Alexander's behavior has often been used to attack the City of Stockbridge as a whole and has been used to justify efforts to establish a new city to be known as Eagles Landing;

WHEREAS the City Council wishes to make clear that the Council does not condone nor accept Mr. Alexander's behavior; and

WHEREAS the City Council wishes to make clear that the Mr. Alexander does NOT speak on behalf of the City nor does the City Council endorse any of his statements; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that this resolution is necessary and beneficial to its citizens and to the proper use of City funds.

NOW THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STOCKBRIDGE HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. **Censure.** – Mr. Alexander is hereby formally censured and reprimanded for his unacceptable and inexcusable behavior. Mr. Alexander is called upon to cease the aforementioned behavior and to conduct himself in a manner fitting the office of City Council Member.

Section 2. **Approval of Execution** - The Mayor is hereby authorized to sign all documents and to perform all other acts necessary to effectuate this Resolution on behalf of the City of Stockbridge. The City Clerk is authorized to execute, attest to, and seal any document which may be necessary to effectuate this Resolution, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

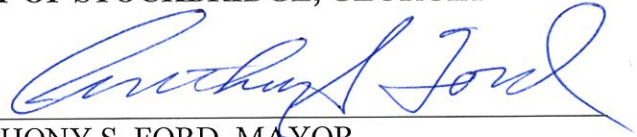
Section 3. **Severability** - To the extent any portion of this Resolution is declared to be invalid, unenforceable, or non-binding, that shall not affect the remaining portions of this Resolution.

Section 4. **Repeal of Conflicting Provisions** - All City resolutions inconsistent with this Resolution are hereby repealed.

Section 7. **Effective Date** - This Resolution shall be effective on the date of its approval by the City Council and Mayor as provided in the City Charter.

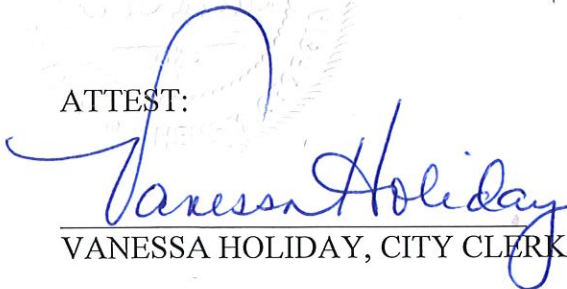
SO RESOLVED, this the 30th day of January, 2018.

CITY OF STOCKBRIDGE, GEORGIA



ANTHONY S. FORD, MAYOR

ATTEST:



VANESSA HOLIDAY, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM



MICHAEL WILLIAMS, CITY ATTORNEY